

**Amendments to the Specification**

Please replace paragraph [0008] with the following rewritten paragraph:

[0008] An image forming apparatus according to the invention that forms an image on a sheet by ejecting ink may include a sheet feed table that is disposed to face an ink ejection direction of the image forming device and has a surface region at an upper side thereof for supporting the sheet, a sheet feeding mechanism that feeds the sheet in a sheet feeding direction, at least one air suctioning portion that is formed on the surface region of the sheet feed table at an upstream or a downstream side of an image forming region, wherein when the image forming device forms the image, the air suctioning portion allows air to be sucked therethrough, an air suctioning device that sucks ~~ink~~air through the air suctioning portion, and an ink receiver that receives ink ejected from the image forming device and is disposed in a portion of the image forming region.

Please replace paragraph [0039] with the following rewritten paragraph:

[0039] The negative pressure chamber 25 is connected to a suction device 26, as shown in FIG. 1, that includes a suction fan and a discharge pump. As the suction device 26 is operated, the air is sucked through the downstream and upstream suction openings 24a, 24b substantially at the same time. As described above, the negative pressure chamber 25 and the ink receiving chamber 35 are separated or partitioned, and the ink receiving chamber 35 is not affected by a suction force applied by the suction device 26.